

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification, without prejudice, without admission, without surrender of subject matter, and without any intention of creating any estoppel as to equivalents as follows:

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Cassette 1- Translation initiation signal and signal peptide

In order to achieve correct translation initiation and secretion from mammalian cells, the following sequence is used (SEQ ID NO 16):

aagcttCCACCATGGGATGGAGCTGTATCATCCTCTTCTTGGTAGCAACAGCTACAGGT
GTCCACTCC (SEQ ID NO: 38)

This contains a convenient *Hind*III restriction site for cloning into expression vectors (lower case), the consensus translation initiation signal for mammalian cells (ANNATGPu) and the coding sequence for a signal peptide sequence from an immunoglobulin gene.

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The flexible linker, used to join the extracellular domain of B7.1 and the ScFv, was constructed by annealing two homologous oligonucleotides with engineered 5' Sma I and 3' Spe I sites - using oligonucleotides

upper (SEQ ID NO: 6)

5' GGG GGT GGT GGG AGC GGT GGT GGC GGC AGT GGC GGC GGC GGA A 3'

and lower (SEQ ID NO: 16)

5' CTA GTT CCG CCG CCG CCA CTG CCG CCA CCA CCG CTC CCA CCA CCC CC 3'

The linker is cloned into pBluescript (Stratagene) via Sma I and Spe I to produce pLINK. The signal peptide (sp) and extracellular domain of murine B7.1 were amplified by PCR from